UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE LITIGATION

MDL NO. 1456 Civil Action No. 01-12257-PBS

Judge Patti B. Saris

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

County of Suffolk v. Abbott Labs., et al.

(E.D.N.Y. No. CV-03-229)

County of Westchester v. Abbott Labs., et al.

(S.D.N.Y. No. 03-CV-6178)

County of Rockland v. Abbott Labs., et al.

(S.D.N.Y. No. 03-CV-7055)

The City of New York v. Abbott Labs., et al.

(S.D.N.Y. No. 03-CV-06054)

DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR A CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND FOR COORDINATION OF PLEADINGS

Defendants in the above referenced cases-- County of Suffolk v. Abbott Labs., et al. ("Suffolk"), County of Westchester v. Abbott Labs., et al., County of Rockland v. Abbott Labs., et al., and The City of New York v. Abbott Labs., et al.-- and in other similar cases that are being transferred to this Court (collectively, the "New York County/City Cases"), respectfully move for a case management conference and for coordination of the pleadings in these Cases.

Defendants further request an order staying their time to respond to any and all New York County/City Cases until the plaintiffs in those Cases present one master pleading that is consistent with the Court's rulings in Suffolk.

Dated: February 11, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

ON BEHALF OF ALL DEFENDANTS SERVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH F.R.C.P. 4 OR WHO HAVE WAIVED SERVICE

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on February 11, 2005, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Defendants' Motion for a Case Management Conference and for Coordination of Pleadings was served on all counsel of record by electronic service pursuant to Case Management Order No. 2 by sending a copy to Verilaw Technologies for posting and notification to all parties.

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